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SUBJECT: LECTURE AT ROYAL COLLEGE OF DEFENCE STUDIES

1. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PASSING FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROBERT MILLER WHO TOLD US WE  
COULD REACH HIM THROUGH YOU BEGINNING AUGUST 20.

2. "I UNDERSTAND YOU AGREED TO SUBSTITUTE FOR GLEYSTEN  
TO SPEAK AT THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF DEFENCE STUDIES IN  
LONDON ON SEPTEMBER 7. GLEYSTEN'S LETTER TO THE COLLEGE  
TO THAT EFFECT CROSSED ONE FROM THE COLLEGE, DATED JULY 19  
WHICH STATES:

THE REGULATIONS ARE NOW SUCH THAT I MUST ASK YOU IF  
YOU COULD MAKE USE OF THE RAF SCHEDULED SERVICE BETWEEN  
WASHINGTON AND THE UK ON AT LEAST ONE LEG OF THE JOURNEY,  
EITHER BY TRAVELLING ON IT FROM WASHINGTON ON SATURDAY  
4 SEPTEMBER OR BY RETURNING ON IT ON FRIDAY 10 SEPTEMBER.  
IN EACH CASE THIS WOULD PROBABLY INVOLVE YOUR SPENDING A  
NIGHT IN THE HOTEL AT RAF BRIZE NORTON IN OXFORDSHIRE AS  
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THE SATURDAY FLIGHT ARRIVES VERY LATE IN THE DAY AND THE

FRIDAY ONE HAS AN EARLY DEPARTURE. I APPRECIATE THAT ON THE FACE OF IT NEITHER OF THESE DATES FITS IN WITH YOUR LECTURE COMMITMENT BUT IT MAY BE THAT YOU HAVE OTHER

BUSINESS TO CONDUCT WHILE YOU ARE HERE AND THAT IT WOULD SUIT YOU TO COME A DAY OR SO EARLY OR STAY A DAY OR SO AFTER.

'HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EITHER OF THESE FLIGHTS THEN WE WILL PROCEED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY AIR BOOKINGS WITH BRITISH AIRWAYS AND ARRANGE FOR THE TICKETS TO BE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR COLLECTION.'

3. WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM THE COLLEGE FOR YOU TO SPEAK BUT WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE ON HOW TO RESPOND TO ABOVE LETTER ABOUT TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS, ONCE THE COLLEGE HAS ISSUED ITS INVITATION TO YOU. DEFERRING THIS MATTER UNTIL YOUR RETURN MAY NOT PROVIDE ENOUGH TIME TO WORK OUT DETAILS."

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